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## CALPIRG Report Sees Jobs, Environmental Benefits of California High-Speed Rail Project

SACRAMENTO -- California High-Speed Rail Authority Deputy Director Jeffrey Barker issued the following statement regarding the California Public Interest Research Group's newly published report, "Next Stop: California. Benefits of High-Speed Rail Around the World and What's in Store for California:"

"This timely new report provides an important reminder to Californians concerned about the environment and the state's economy that high-speed rail has proven its value in country after country – creating good jobs, reducing air pollution and providing people with a cheaper, faster and more convenient way to travel. Around the world, high-speed trains generate riders and revenue – that's why so many nations are expanding their networks, and it's why we're working hard to make California home to the first high-speed rail network in the U.S."

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